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Invention: ABSORBENT STRUCTURE WITH INTEGRAL VAPOR TRANSMISSIVE, MOISTURE BARRIER

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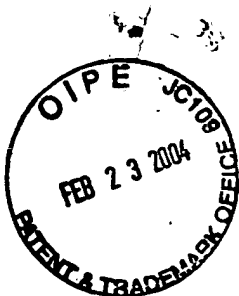
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 21, 2003 (Paper No. 11), finally rejecting claims 1-50, please enter the following response as follows:

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.